Problems of Agriculturists in Kuttanad District of Kerala

3347.. SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government know that serious problems of substainability and economic viability of agriculture have been noticed in the Kuttanad area of Kerala:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what strategy is being chalked out to tackle the phenomena, which are a by-products of heavy dose of chemicals fertilizers and insecticides; and

(c) whether Government propose to send a team of agricultural scientists to Kuttanad to study problems and find solutions thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State Government is taking steps like conservation of farm wastes, green manuring, popularisation of perennial legumes and compost and need-based application of pesticides.

(c) No, Sir.

Measures for flushing out flood water in village Bethon Kalan, U.P.

3348. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI SOMPAL:
SHRI BRAHMADEO ANAND PASWAN:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that village Bethon Kalan, Tehsil Chhata, District Mathura in U.P. is heavily flooded which has resulted in destructioning crops, spread of diseases and disruption of normal life;

(b) whether it is also a fact that measures for flushing out and flood water such as non digging of drains and non availability of other sources expose failure of Government; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take for providing relief and rescue work there and what action is being taken against the concerned officers for not making proper arrangement for digging drains and flushing out the flood water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Parliamentary Committee Report on Agriculture

3349. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 10th Report of the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture has analysed the price situation for agricultural commodities and has stressed the need for 'correcting' the terms of trade which according to the Committee had been loaded against agriculture;

(b) if so, what are the precise observations and recommendations and details of the analysis made by the Committee;

(c) what is the Government's response by way of correcting the imbalance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.